

St. Michaels Planning Commission Workshop
St. Michaels Town Office
300 Mill Street

August 6, 2019
1:30 P.M.

Present: Planning Commission Chairman Jefferson Knapp; members Helen Herman and Chris Thomas, Town Manager Jean Weisman, Zoning Officer Kymberly Kudla, Zoning Consultant Peter Johnston, and Commissioners Dennis Glackin and Michael Bibb.

I. Call to Order:

Chairman Knapp called the zoning re-write workshop to order at 1:30 p.m. in the meeting room of the Edgar M. Bosley, Jr. Municipal Building, 300 Mill Street, St. Michaels, Maryland.

II. Zoning Re-write (Continued)

Chairman Knapp asked for Member Helen Herman for her comments on Peter Johnston's draft design/architectural guidelines. Member Herman did question whether new commercial buildings not in the historic district should be required to have flat roofs. The members agreed to delete that requirement, and added language giving more flexibility for roofs on any new buildings, but with appropriate context. Ms. Herman also suggested that the Historic District's reference book with photographs of various Town structures be incorporated into the design section as a reference.

The members decided that the zoning authority throughout the Code would be called the Zoning Inspector and not the Zoning Officer, which was consistent with the Charter.

The members discussed moving references to abandoned vehicles and vehicles in disrepair to Code Section 312, Vehicles and Traffic, and discussed disposition of trailers and oversized vehicles on property, or on the street. Jeff Knapp said he would attempt to draft revised language with Peter Johnston's assistance.

The members continued with a page-by-page review of re-drafted sections, consolidating references and definitions, and eliminating redundancies.

Chairman Knapp said the next review on August 20th would address Article III, Article V, General Provisions, and floating zones.

III. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 3:40 p.m.

Minutes approved by a 2:0 vote in favor on the 24th day of October 2019

Jefferson Knapp, Chairman